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both pustules had the appearance that usually characterizes the disease on the eighth day.

3d. By a late regulation of the University of Edinburgh, the fees of each class are raised from three to five guineas, and the fee of graduation, from thirteen to twenty-six guineas; this will tend in some degree to promote the reform in the medical profession, so lately, but ineffectually proposed by Doctor Harrison, of Lincolnshire. The students have had meetings for the purpose of petitioning the Senatus Academicus for its repeal, but it is not likely they will be successful.

### NATURALIST'S REPORT.

*From December 20, till January 20.*

While rugged rocks refuse the opening flower,  
Nor even a moss beguiles the tedious hour. SMITH.

The whole period since the last Report has been so uncommonly severe, and such continual falls of snow have covered the country, in the neighbourhood of Belfast, that our remarks are confined to Zoology alone.

The immense flocks of Fieldfares (*Turdus Pilaris*) and Redwings (*I. Iliacus* which we mentioned in one of our former numbers as having arrived unusually early, have all disappeared; several rare birds have however made their appearance as the Golden Plover (*Charadrius Pluvialis*) Grey Plover (*Tringa squaterola*) Turnstone (*Tringa Interpres*) Dun Diver (*Mergus Castor*.)

On the 31st December a large flock of Wild Swans (*Anas Cygnus*) were flying to the West emitting by times a sound not unmusical, when combined with the noise of their wings; but certainly not meriting the high encomiums which they have had conferred on them by the ancient poets, every allowance being made for the different state of musical composition. To say that this flight of Swans indicated the severe snow storm which followed on the 5th of January, a number of observations would be necessary.

On the 12th of January some of the White fronted Wild Goose (*Anas albifrons*) shot in the neighbourhood, were in Belfast Market.

Dec. 31. A mild day. Common Wren singing.

Jan. 9. Common Wren singing.

13. Common Wren and Wood-lark singing.

### METEOROLOGICAL REPORT.

*From December 20, till January 20.*

----- the languid sun,  
Faint from the west emits his ev'ning ray,  
Earth's universal face, deep hid, and chill,  
Is one wide dazzling waste, that buries wide  
The works of Man THOMSON.

Such a uniformly severe state of weather is seldom known in this country: few days have passed without snow, and on the 5th and 6th of January so much fell as nothing was like it since February 1799. On the roads it was accumulated to the depth of 10 or 12 feet, rendering them impassable to the mail coach for some days.

Decem. 21st . . . . . Thaw apparently commenced, a trifling shower.

22, . . . . . Clouds beautifully tinged, hard frost.

23, 24, 25, 26, . . . . . Dark morning, snow showers.

27, 28, 29, . . . . . Dark calm warmish day.

30, 31, . . . . . Calm wet days.

January 1st . . . . . Cold dark day with a slight shower.

2, 3, . . . . . Sleet showers, mountain tops white.